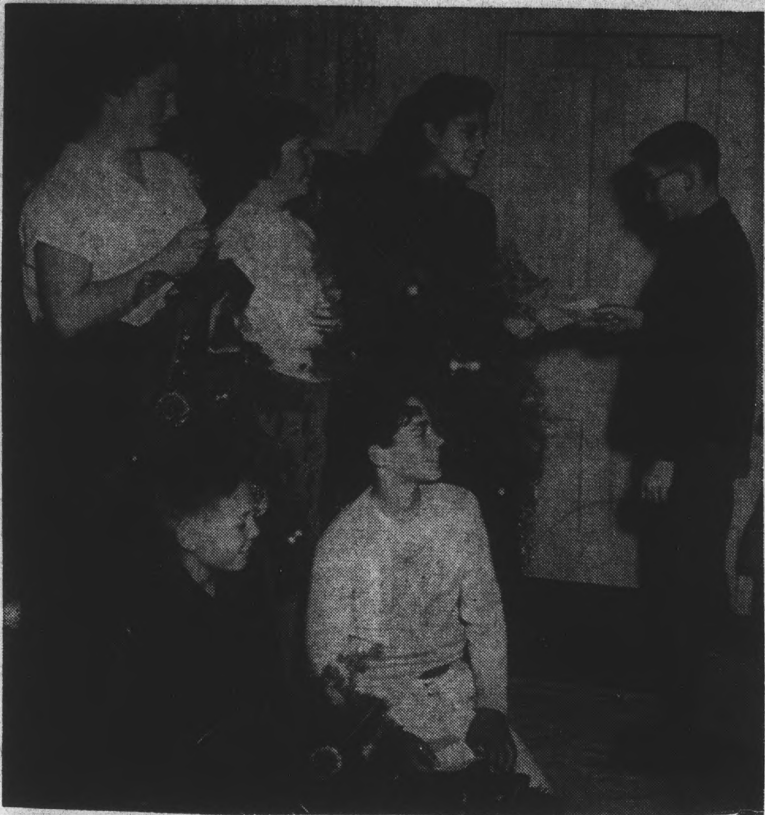


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USE OF native materials for home decorations was encouraged by a Christmas door decoration contest, sponsored by the Yard Go-Fers of the Success Valley 4-H club. Above photo shows winners of the contest: Front, from left, Don Cook, first, junior division, and Bill Mohler, first, senior boys' division. Back row: Janice Calkins and Sylvia Calkins, first, team division; Beatrice Ramirez, first, senior girls' division. Making the presentation is Richard Cook, chairman of the Go-Fers. Awards of gift certificates at Daybell Nursery, were made at club Christmas party, held Friday at the Edmund Cook home. Materials for the contest were gathered on December 16, when 32 club members and parents enjoyed a day's outing at the Bob Towers' ranch in Upper Grouse valley. Judges for the contest were: Howard Beard, Porterville elementary schools superintendent; Mrs. Max Donaldson, president of the Porterville high school and college P.T.A.; and Mrs. Alice Raiche, teacher at the Lillian B. Hill school. (Farm Tribune photo)

County Was Repairing Flood Damage A Year Ago; Other Events Reviewed As 1956 Gives Way To The New Year

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — Just a year ago the Porterville area, along with Visalia and other county areas, was "digging out" following heavy floods on the Tule and Kaweah rivers, and "big news" was coming from Yuba City, where dykes had broken to allow Feather River water to inundate a large section of the town.

All-in-all, 1956 was a hectic, fast-moving year, what with a major political election, new farm programs, a world situation that appeared ready to explode on several occasions, and the sometimes heated exchange of words by national political figures on the status of the domestic economy. So here is a brief review, as The Farm Tribune saw the "old year" of 1956.

JANUARY

Emergency work started to repair flood breaks in the Friant-Kern canal . . . "Scott Frost", S. A. Camp's Harness Horse of the Year, welcomed home at Springville . . . Irvin Althouse, Porterville civil engineer, honored by the Tulare County Farm Bureau with "appreciation scroll" . . . Efforts renewed to secure funds for start of construction on Success dam . . . Robert C. Natzke set up law office in Porterville . . . Porterville elementary district school bonds of \$750,000 approved . . . W. S. Clawson named manager of the Tulare county chamber of commerce . . . Charles Solomon announces resignation from Strathmore high school Ag. department to take job with Grange company. . . Directors of the Tule River Soil Conservation district ask upstream dam survey on Tule water shed . . . Seth Gordon, head of the California department of fish and game, speaks to sportsmen in Porterville.

FEBRUARY

Remote-control drone plane

from Navy's China Lake station, crashed on John Baker ranch east of Terra Bella . . . Porterville fair booths "selling fast" . . . Donald Jones left for Havana to judge horses in the International Livestock show at Rancho Royeros . . . Floyd Jones established a full-scale weather office in Porterville . . . Art Griswold elected chairman of Springville-California Hot Springs Range Improvement committee . . . Sunkist officials plan state sales campaign at Porterville meeting . . . Judge Pierson M. Hall ruled in Fresno that the federal government has no sovereign title to water in the San Joaquin river water shed . . . San Joaquin Valley Hereford association sale is moved from Porterville to Tulare.

MARCH

Cold weather hit young tomato plants in county; loss estimated at from 25 to 50 per cent of plants . . . Petitions circulated asking immediate appropriations to start construction on Success dam . . . State Senator J. Howard Williams, Porterville, is named chairman of State Senate finance committee . . . Greats from the world of sports gathered for second annual Banquet of Champions, sponsored by the Porterville Quarterback club.

APRIL

White Hereford calf is "doing nicely" on H. A. Vossler ranch . . . Division of highways studies Camp Nelson road to determine improvements needed to handle heavy

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WEATHER BRINGS SERIOUS SITUATION ON FARM FRONT

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PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — Weather situation is beginning to reach serious proportions on the farm front as the old year goes out with only .39 inches of rain in the past two months.

This is the smallest amount of rainfall recorded for these usually rainy months during the past 50 years, with exception of the 1930 year, when November and December rainfall was only .05 inches.

Season total, although low, is not unusual at 2.27 inches, however the 1.88 inches that fell in October was of little benefit.

Lack of rainfall is hurting the range feed situation and slowing dry-farm operation.

With the rainless weather has come below-freezing temperatures for most of December; reports are that little damage to citrus has resulted, although it is likely that some fruit in the colder spots has been hit.

Strathmore Sets Chamber Banquet

STRATHMORE, Dec. 27 — Directors of the Strathmore chamber of commerce, meeting yesterday, set January 8 as date for the organization's annual banquet in the Veterans' memorial building, 7 p.m., with Domer F. Power, director of the Tulare County Taxpayers' association as principal speaker.

Dinner will be served by the Strathmore 4-H club, with Mrs. Betty VanRy in charge. Incoming president of the organization is Robert Serbian; retiring president is Smith Macomber.

Building Along The Avenue Highlight Past Year; Why Not A Bowling Alley?

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — Historians will no doubt point to 1956 as a "building year" along the avenue, with City Engineer Cap Carleson today estimating that total figures, when compiled, will run "well over \$2,000,000."

At present, at least six homes are under construction; Dr. A. B. Gardner is building a new office on East Mill near Fourth street; elementary school construction and Rockwell plant construction are underway and Green Motor Parts has just completed a bright

new store front on north Main near Olive.

It is expected that bid will be let for the new Sierra View District hospital on January 28.

And the question in some quarters is, "Why doesn't Porterville have a bowling alley?"

Porterville chamber of commerce has been asked for cooperation (another word for money, we suppose) in regard to the booths that the High Sierra Packers' association annually places in

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PETER VOISS INTERESTING FIGURE IN CALIFORNIA DURING FIRST YEARS OF CENTURY; DID YOU KNOW HIM?

By George Heintz

"If you take my picture, I'll kill you."

These were the words of Peter Voiss when, in 1936, a San Jose doctor insisted on taking a photograph without paying for the privilege, and when the doctor persisted, Voiss proved to be as good as his word.

Result was a sensational trial, that finally resulted in acquittal of Voiss.

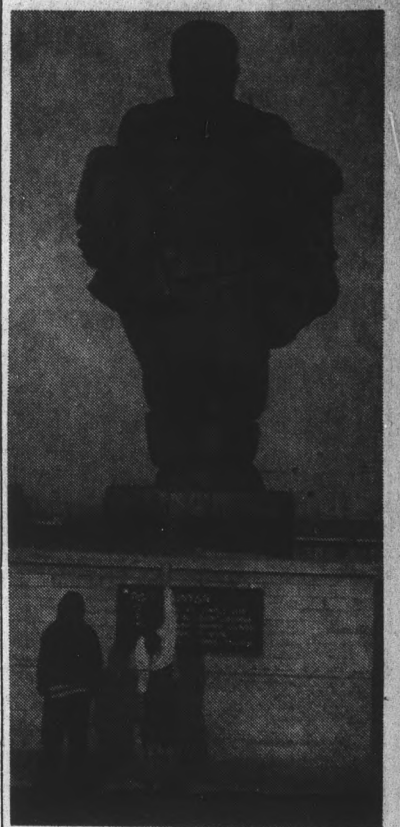
The trial, with its headlines, brought Peter Voiss into news prominence, although for many years he had been a familiar sight on highways and biways of California, traveling about with his burros, sometimes riding in a cart behind him, other times walking and leading them as pack animals.

He carried his entire camp and mining kit with him in his travels with his patient beasts, Jimmy, Dixie and La Mae. Dixie had a habit of biting those who tried to pet her.

Voiss was a prospector; he hunted only for nuggets and sold them only as souvenirs. He had staked and worked many claims in the Mother Lode country, mining in the winter months, then traveling in the summer, appearing in places where tourists congregated, to sell postcard pictures of himself and selling his gold nuggets.

As he used to say, "I couldn't walk up to those tourists and sell them my nuggets, but when they asked about gold I showed the nuggets, and if they begged me, I let them buy."

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PAUL BUNYAN, carrying Babe, the Blue Ox, and his woodsman's ax, now stands at the Skylark motel, Morton and 65 freeway, Porterville. The statue was moved last week from its former location at Three Rivers by Jack Anglin, motel owner, who secured it from the man who carved it — Carroll Barnes, the noted artist who makes his home at Three Rivers. The statue is carved from a redwood log and is the largest single-piece wood carving in the world. It had been in place less than an hour when a motorist, coming down 65 freeway and looking at the statue, whammed into another motorist ahead of him, who was also looking at the statue, but no serious damage was done.

(Farm Tribune photo)



PETER VOISS, colorful figure of the first half of the century, is shown above as he appeared during his travels throughout California. If you knew him, or if you have heard stories about him, please check with us here at The Farm Tribune.

Instructor Praises Harlan Hawkins

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — The fine record of Harlan Hawkins, former Porterville college student from Terra Bella who is now attending college at Leicester, England, under provisions of a Porterville Rotary club scholarship, is praised in a letter from one of his instructors, Colin Eaborn, who wrote the following to James Hanson, chairman of the Porterville Rotary international relations committee:

"I thought I would write at the end of Harlan Hawkins' first term here to say how successful his visit is proving. He has settled very

quickly into a prominent place in our college community, and is well-liked and respected by all who know him.

"He is not only tactful and careful to avoid giving offense, but — more important — he is joining in everything with zest, and is so obviously enjoying being here that he cannot fail to be popular.

"You will know that he has played Rugby football for the college — and he is quite good too, now that he has sorted out the difference between the game and

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**CENTRAL CALIFORNIA RAIN-
FALL RECORD—1849-1894**

1849-1850	17.20
1850-1851	3.00
1851-1852	9.00
1852-1853	17.80
1853-1854	10.80
1854-1855	10.60
1855-1856	8.70
1856-1857	7.30
1857-1858	9.10
1858-1859	9.20
1859-1860	11.20
1860-1861	8.60
1861-1862	20.80
1862-1863	6.40

1863-1864	5.50
1864-1865	11.70
1865-1866	10.00
1866-1867	14.70
1867-1868	17.70
1868-1869	9.40
1869-1870	8.10
1870-1871	5.40
1871-1872	14.10
1872-1873	7.80
1873-1874	11.70
1874-1875	9.10
1875-1876	13.00
1876-1877	4.60
1877-1878	15.90
1878-1879	9.60
1879-1880	12.40
1880-1881	12.50
1881-1882	7.90
1882-1883	8.60
1883-1884	12.30
1884-1885	7.70
1885-1886	15.20
1886-1887	7.80
1887-1888	6.90
1888-1889	10.30
1889-1890	12.63
1890-1891	8.26
1891-1892	8.58
1892-1893	9.77
1893-1894	5.57

107 Year Rainfall Record As Of December 27, 1956

Year	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	Total
1894-1895	0.00	0.00	.43	.15	.04	3.13	3.82	1.54	1.10	.41	.35	0.00	10.97
1895-1896	0.00	0.00	0.00	.23	1.71	.51	1.61	0.00	.67	1.13	.13	0.00	5.99
1896-1897	.69	0.00	0.00	.65	.94	.93	1.96	2.46	2.00	.30	.42	0.00	10.35
1897-1898	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.19	.50	.89	.75	1.55	.08	0.00	.55	0.00	5.51
1898-1899	0.00	0.00	2.10	0.00	.27	.35	1.01	.17	2.02	.19	.10	.85	7.06
1899-1900	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.08	.88	.91	.97	.16	.89	1.94	2.41	0.00	9.24
1900-1901	0.00	0.00	0.00	.04	3.44	.30	2.74	1.78	.30	2.19	1.97	0.00	12.76
1901-1902	0.00	0.00	.41	.45	.75	0.00	.84	2.96	2.28	1.53	.15	0.00	9.37
1902-1903	.01	0.00	0.00	.56	1.42	.79	1.80	.78	1.85	1.02	.01	.01	8.25
1903-1904	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	.09	.23	.53	3.48	1.85	1.12	.17	0.00	7.47
1904-1905	0.00	0.00	1.64	.60	.05	1.33	.73	.74	4.21	.75	1.81	0.00	11.86
1905-1906	0.00	0.00	.08	.03	1.13	.70	2.54	1.35	6.59	2.20	3.29	.02	17.93
1906-1907	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	.30	3.80	3.87	1.37	2.66	1.19	.09	.16	13.44
1907-1908	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.48	0.00	1.78	2.33	4.81	.12	.09	1.09	0.00	11.70
1908-1909	0.00	0.00	1.34	.35	.75	.53	6.10	3.73	2.08	.02	0.00	.05	14.95
1909-1910	0.00	0.00	0.00	.50	1.79	2.78	2.37	.22	1.96	.34	0.00	0.00	9.96
1910-1911	.04	0.00	.14	.64	.36	1.03	4.56	1.80	2.33	1.14	.01	.01	12.06
1911-1912	0.00	0.00	.23	0.00	.28	1.24	1.30	.11	3.12	2.33	.14	0.00	8.75
1912-1913	0.00	0.00	0.00	.12	.61	.49	1.12	2.78	.65	1.52	.95	.10	8.34
1913-1914	.30	.21	0.00	0.00	2.18	.99	5.16	.98	.29	.60	.58	.03	11.32
1914-1915	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.55	2.79	3.72	.74	1.63	2.19	0.00	12.62
1915-1916	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	.31	1.95	5.66	1.17	1.93	.27	.31	0.00	11.60
1916-1917	0.00	0.00	.05	3.02	.49	3.61	1.40	1.75	.61	.38	.34	0.00	11.65
1917-1918	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	.49	.09	.18	1.92	3.16	.17	.19	0.00	6.20
1918-1919	0.00	0.00	.74	.56	1.65	1.50	.25	1.96	2.79	.19	1.05	0.00	10.69
1919-1920	0.00	0.00	.45	.32	.27	1.23	1.44	2.21	4.37	.36	0.00	.09	10.74
1920-1921	0.00	.15	0.00	.65	.53	1.28	1.85	1.37	1.00	.35	2.31	0.00	9.49
1921-1922	0.00	0.00	0.00	.07	.21	4.03	2.69	2.22	2.02	.82	.62	.64	13.32
1922-1923	.07	0.00	0.00	.96	.80	1.77	1.24	.36	.32	2.79	.04	.01	8.36
1923-1924	0.00	0.00	.08	.24	0.00	.22	.74	1.28	2.16	.55	0.00	0.00	5.27
1924-1925	0.00	0.00	0.00	.63	1.42	2.63	1.05	1.07	2.40	2.19	.53	.08	12.00
1925-1926	0.00	0.00	0.00	.65	.08	.83	.36	2.23	.52	2.69	0.00	0.00	7.36
1926-1927	0.00	0.00	0.00	.21	3.45	1.19	1.74	3.17	1.27	.79	.12	0.00	11.94
1927-1928	0.00	0.00	.01	1.48	1.24	1.83	.52	.96	1.25	.37	1.17	0.00	8.83
1928-1929	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.53	2.69	.80	.68	2.03	1.29	0.00	.38	9.40
1929-1930	0.00	0.00	.04	0.00	0.00	.05	1.72	1.57	1.68	.34	.08	0.00	5.48
1930-1931	0.00	0.00	.14	0.00	1.41	0.00	2.21	.94	.05	1.30	.72	.72	7.49
1931-1932	0.00	0.00	.04	0.00	2.06	4.18	2.14	2.10	.39	.63	.51	0.00	12.05
1932-1933	0.00	0.00	.03	0.00	0.00	2.23	6.55	.30	.42	.09	.73	.18	10.53
1933-1934	0.00	0.00	0.00	.20	0.00	1.33	1.16	1.62	.26	0.00	.39	.42	5.38
1934-1935	0.00	0.00	0.00	.62	2.07	1.67	1.91	1.29	2.10	2.71	.20	0.00	12.57
1935-1936	0.00	0.00	0.00	.50	.09	1.41	.37	6.50	1.43	1.00	.09	.09	11.48
1936-1937	0.00	.10	0.00	2.05	.05	3.99	2.87	3.55	3.60	.81	0.00	0.00	17.02
1937-1938	0.00	0.00	0.00	.12	.12	2.69	2.17	3.49	5.93	2.32	.17	.11	17.12
1938-1939	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.27	.33	1.36	1.60	1.30	1.28	.79	.21	.11	8.25
1939-1940	0.00	.01	.17	1.08	0.00	.43	5.63	3.38	1.25	1.83	0.00	0.00	13.78
1940-1941	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.91	.38	3.28	1.92	3.60	2.12	2.67	.13	0.00	16.01
1941-1942	0.00	0.00	0.00	.57	.60	3.76	2.05	.78	.66	1.48	.36	0.00	10.26
1942-1943	0.00	.03	0.00	0.00	.93	2.31	3.75	2.15	3.74	1.57	.21	0.00	14.69
1943-1944	0.00	0.00	0.00	.26	.22	1.79	1.89	2.44	.65	.90	.88	0.00	9.03
1944-1945	0.00	0.00	.03	.29	3.09	.83	.11	3.68	2.82	.45	.60	.36	12.26
1945-1946	0.00	0.00	0.00	.60	1.02	3.10	1.05	1.55	2.26	.12	.64	0.00	10.34
1946-1947	.02	.07	0.00	.92	1.94	2.72	.31	.46	.69	.17	.23	0.00	7.53
1947-1948	0.00	.06	0.00	.26	.47	.64	0.00	1.27	3.02	2.15	.49	.01	8.37
1948-1949	0.00	0.00	0.00	.23	0.00	1.07	1.59	1.24	2.09	.16	.18	0.00	6.56
1949-1950	0.00	.02	0.00	0.00	1.17	.87	2.29	1.24	.78	.95	.02	0.00	7.34
1950-1951	.12	0.00	.18	.52	1.36	1.50	1.93	1.09	.83	1.61	0.00	0.00	9.14
1951-1952	0.00	0.00	0.00	.55	1.16	3.44	4.00	.46	0.00	1.34	0.00	0.00	10.95
1952-1953	0.00	0.00	.07	0.00	2.45	3.41	1.99	.01	1.42	.91	1.19	0.00	11.30
1953-1954	0.00	0.00	0.00	.08	1.38	.27	2.86	1.34	2.13	.36	.35	.10	8.87
1954-1955	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	.85	1.52	2.96	1.58	0.00	1.00	.98	0.00	8.89
1955-1956	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.41	3.67	2.36	.75	.02	2.17	.36	0.00	10.74
1956-1957	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.88	0.00	.39							

Modern Records From John Daybell Weather Station

Farm Bureau sale in Visalia January 14 (hogs) and January 16, (cattle) while "anything in the poultry or livestock line will be sold January 15 at the Tulare Sales yard.

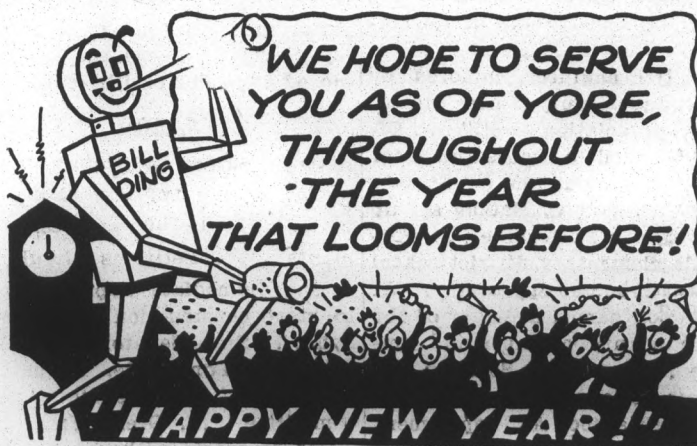
Handling arrangements on this phase of the fund-raising program is Clark L. Brown, of Tipton; Porterville area residents who need trailer transportation for livestock to any of the sales should phone SU 4-1857.

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WE PREDICT —

With 1957 just a few days away, we're going to forego our usual resolutions and gaze for a moment into the crystal ball. And, having gazed, this is what we see in store for this community during the coming year:

Actual construction of Success dam will be started before the year is out.

The Rockwell manufacturing company will put its new Porterville plant into operation.

Ground will be broken for the new Sierra View District hospital; ditto, perhaps, for a Porterville armory.

Trustees of Porterville high school and college will continue to wrestle the problem of inadequate school facilities and an increasing school enrollment. Perhaps we people of the community can find a solution in 1957.

Citizens of Porterville will go to the polls in what may well be a lively city election.

More people than ever will come into our mountain country hoping to find outdoor facilities that do not exist.

Porterville Fair directors will finally pay off the last of the debt on fair facilities, with, of course, the usual fine community participation.

Some farmers will bemoan their fate, but price for good farm land will continue to go up.

Some business men will talk of how tough things are, but others will expand the business they have; others will start new business firms; some will prosper, others won't.

We'll all be a year older by the time 1957 passes by, and there's nothing we can see in the crystal ball to prevent this.

So let's have a little fun along the way, let's contribute something to the community, let's find some time to work for the things we believe in, and 1957 will be a great year.

SANTA CLAUS VISITS POPLAR

POPLAR, Dec. 27 — Santa Claus stopped here, Monday, to deliver "treats" to kiddies of the community, with the Poplar chamber of commerce handling arrangements. On the chamber committee were: Pete Gobel, Dick Callison, Howard Tharp, Frank Maduale, Foster Brinkley and Al Childers.

Dental Society Names Officers

VISALIA, Dec. 27 — Dr. Robert Tucker, of Porterville, has been elected a director of the Tulare-Kings County Dental society. President is Dr. Howard Willis, of Corcoran; vice president, Dr. Lewis Guy of Tulare; secretary-treasurer, Dr. Paul Bohn, of Visalia; director, with Dr. Tucker, Dr. E. P. Metzger, of Visalia.

News Of The SPRINGVILLE COMMUNITY

By WINNIE GAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Ransome of Tacoma, Wash., where Laurence has been stationed at Ft. Lewis for the past 18 months, will make their home here in Springville for awhile. Mrs. Ransome is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gorham.

One of the old landmarks in Springville, the old Community Hall, has been sold to Luther Carl who has torn down the building and hauled it to his ranch on Balch Park Road. The original community hall burned sometime near 1930 and the old Citrus school house was moved to the spot from near Bartlett Park and was used as a community hall until the new Veterans' Memorial building was built in 1954.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Little and daughters left Saturday to visit over the holidays with relatives in Bellegardens.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dye was the scene of the annual taffy pull and making of popcorn balls. Enjoying the day were twenty friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Gage and children and Ted Frost were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Mullican in Porterville Sunday evening. The Mullicans are parents of Mrs. Gage.

Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Henson and son, Harold, and daughter, Mrs. Earnie Ruth-

erford are Mr. and Mrs. George Fraser and children, of Alhambra. Mrs. Henson and Mrs. Fraser are sisters.

The judging of the Springville Chamber of Commerce on outdoor Christmas decorations judged Ray Flemming, first place; Jack Hensley, second place; Verne Long, third, and Winnie Gage, fourth place.

Spending a weekend in the mountains above Springville were Hugh Squires, Mr. and Mrs. Burly Forrest and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Ashton and children of Santa Ana.

The Nazarene Missionary Society held its December meeting and Christmas party in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gorham.

Mrs. Dick McCutcheon is visiting through the holidays with her daughter and husband in Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Champlain and children, of Bakersfield, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Yale on their ranch above Springville.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe McDonald and his sister, Mrs. Florence Cason, were dinner guests in the home of their son, Mr. and Mrs. Loran McDonald and children in Porterville Saturday evening. Other children of the Joe McDonalds also present were Mr. and Mrs. Don McDonald and daughter of Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. Leslie McDonald and children of Redondo.

Reports Heard At Prairie Center 4-H Club Meeting

By Marvin Awbrey

PRAIRIE CENTER, Dec. 27 — The December meeting of the Prairie Center 4-H club was held recently. After the usual business, reports were given on the hayride by Marvin Hughes, and the Achievement meeting by Larry Awbrey.

It was reported by Mrs. McGivern that the \$183.00 made from the rummage sales will be spent for sewing machines for the sewing project.

Jane Damman and Gloria Hughes, of the first year cooking class, gave a demonstration titled, "Setting the Table". Reynetta Glover and Jane Upton demonstrated humorously "Table Manners", and Pat Mitchell demonstrated the things that should be included in a sewing basket.

Christmas songs were led by songleader, Roberta Hughes, and gifts were exchanged among the members. Refreshments were served and the meeting was adjourned.

Leaders present at this meeting were: Maynard Glover, Orion Colline, Stanley Hefner, Grace

Nelson Smiths To National Meet

DUCOR, Dec. 27 — Mr. and Mrs. Nelson G. Smith were with the Tulare county contingent that attended this month's National Farm Bureau convention at Miami Beach, Florida.

WALLACE GETS FULL PARDON

SACRAMENTO, December 27 — James Preston Wallace, convicted in 1951 for stealing cattle from the Bessie Tyler ranch, has been given a full pardon.

Fairley, Ruby Upton, Irene Noel and Ray McGivern.

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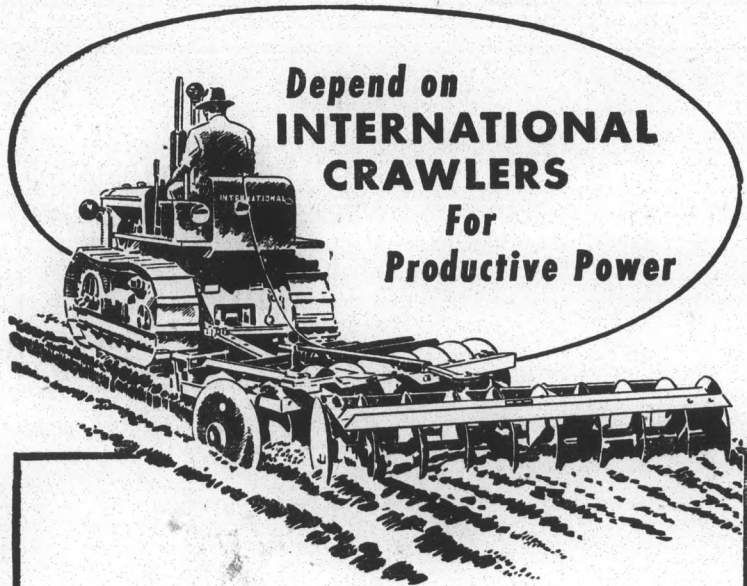


For the last time this year we urge you to visit sunny "E" street in Porterville. Special prices on used Christmas trees, worn out "Merry Christmases" gift wrappings used only once and also a choice assortment of four-wheeled toys with three wheels, run down batteries from electrical gifts, and some cyclamen plants that look like they had too much to drink.

While you're down town exchanging gifts for some your size drop by and have a look at an assortment of fruit and shade trees. In fact if you have some loud shirts our size we'll trade you straight across for some of these fine trees. Everything from Apricots to White Heath Peaches priced around a dollar thirty-five.

In the old days the cure for too much Christmas and New Years was sulfur and molasses. Probably used on the theory that anyone strong enough to survive the treatment was bound to make it over the holidays. We have a similar treatment for fruit trees and roses. Cures mildew, scale, overwintering aphids, and under-acid indigestion in your soil. Comes in pints, quarts or gallons, which should be mixed with water. Easy on the ice please.

Likewise this is pruning time. By pruning before spraying you can "cut down" the spraying quite considerably. Just remember some of those twigs you cut off may be next year's fruit, so take it easy. Wise wives would do well to purchase Sunset's pruning book before turning the old boy loose. Happy New Year to all.



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Burton Center Names Commodity Committee Heads

BURTON, Dec. 27 — Commodity chairmen for the Burton Farm Bureau Center have been named by Carl Weisenberger, center chairman, as follows:

Cotton, Glenn Newsom; dairy, Chester Gilbert; grapes and edible tree nuts, Harry Williamson; alfalfa, Kenneth Martin; petroleum committee, W. B. Webb.

Amelio Curti On Milk Board

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 27 — Amelio Curti, Tulare, has been named to an eight-man, San Joaquin valley regional milk control board that operates through the state department of agriculture. Frank Leoni, Hanford, is also a board member.

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Trilby, the famous Trilby, she of prose, verse and vexation, is roadbound just below Suits'. She started to the valley two weeks ago, but a truck tipped bottom side up a mile below there and a rain clogged the ponderous wheels four miles from here — and Trilby still has trials and tribulations.

Frank Conlee is putting in a big hay crop. Hay is getting to be money here.

D. Grider has eight old seedling orange trees in his front yard below Globe that yield him \$10.00 apiece each year.

There was a Christmas turkey shoot in Springville last week and a Christmas tree at Rural school.

A. M. Coburn has returned from a business trip to Fresno.

W. T. Baldwin is one of the pioneers of this county. He lives a quiet, bachelor life at Baldwin flat — famed for May day picnics.

The genial George Avery will make a popular boniface for the Arlington hotel in Porterville.

Jonathan May hopes soon to sell off his cattle, rent his stock range and go to Porterville to spend his old days. He is going to buy lots, and build on them.

J. R. Hubbs was here from Visalia last week.

LEWIS EBBERTS ARE WINNERS OF HAWAIIAN TRIP

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — An all-expense paid trip to Hawaii for two was the prize won by Lewis C. Ebbett, 149 Doris Street, Porterville, Mobil dealer at 1212 W. Olive Street.

The opportunity to bask on the world-famous beach of Waikiki was a reward by General Petroleum Corp. for participation in a six-months-long dealer incentive program. According to W. W. Alving, district sales manager for the company, Ebbett's Service sta-

tion stressed maximum service to motorists, outstanding cleanliness of station and restrooms as well as merchandising and sales efforts.

Ebbett and his wife, Opal, are scheduled to depart from the Los Angeles International airport January 19, 1957. The famed Surf Rider Hotel is holding accommodations for the couple, who plan a week of sightseeing and sunbathing.

A resident of Porterville for 32 years, the Ebberts have three children: Richard, 28; Linda, 11 and Marcia, 9.

Clark and Nye counties in Nevada; Tooele and part of Box Elder county in Utah; Arkansas, Galveston, and parts of Liberty county in Texas; and Allen, Labette, Neosho, and part of Wabunee county in Kansas; have been added to the list of "drought disaster" counties in which eligible stockmen may obtain feed grain at reduced prices. Stockmen in the Texas, Kansas, and Utah counties may also participate in the hay and roughage program.

Sodium Arsenite Only Control For Grape Black Measles

By Frederik L. Jensen
Farm Advisor

VISALIA, Dec. 27 — The only known control for black measles, a disease of grapevines, is a dormant spray of sodium arsenite. The spraying may be done either before or following pruning; allow a four week period following pruning before spraying to allow the cuts to heal.

Use three quarts of sodium arsenite stock solution per hundred gallons of water. Wet the old wood on the vine. This will require from 200 gallons per acre on Thompson seedless to about 400 gallons per acre on large cordon-pruned vines.

The cause of black measles has not yet been discovered. Usually only a part of the vine is affected. It does little good to mark infected vines and treat them only since most will not have the disease in consecutive years. If the vineyard has about five per cent or more infected vines, the vineyard should be sprayed. If less than this amount are diseased, treatment will not usually be economical.

The amount of control gained from spraying varies considerably. It is impossible to eliminate all measles. Some varieties should not be sprayed in consecutive years because the crop may be reduced.

Sodium arsenite may damage the buds and thus reduce the crop. Thompson seedless is the variety most easily injured. For this reason, the spray should be confined to the old wood and kept off the canes as much as possible. Spur-pruned vines may also be injured but such injury is not very common.

VOTERS LEAGUE PLANS WORK

PASADENA, Dec. 27 — League of Women Voters of California will go into communities of the state during the first part of the new year to urge citizens to examine and understand the present world situation, with a view to arriving at long-range answers to problems of the day.

DEER KILL TOTALS 108,452

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 27 — Total deer kill in regular California seasons during 1956 was 108,452, of which 38,081 were antlerless, according to state department of fish and game figures.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results

Grand Master Will Visit I.O.O.F. Lodge In Porterville

PORTERVILLE, December 27 — Grand Master Earl R. Beecher, of San Mateo, will be guest of honor at installation ceremonies for Porterville Lodge No. 359, I.O.O.F., and Golden Rod Rebekah lodge No. 200, the evening of January 8, at the Fraternity Center.

District Deputy Grand Master Leonard Maxwell, of Dinuba, will also attend. A dinner, at 6 p.m., at Gang Sue's, will precede the installation ceremony, with Lloyd Anderson, arrangements committee chairman, and Noble Grand George Sears in charge.

To be installed at the Fraternal Center ceremony will be Edward M. Larson, noble grand; Howard Thogmartin, vice grand and Sam Creeks, recording secretary; for the Rebekahs, Emma Austin, noble grand; Francis Siward, vice grand; and Katherine Pitcock, recording secretary.

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Safety Is Theme Of Tractor Jockey Monthly Meeting

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27—Safety was the theme of the December meeting of the Porterville Tractor Jockies, held at Weisenberger Farm Supply company.

Billy Mohler told of safety precautions when operating a tractor; John Weisenberger gave a demonstration on spontaneous combustion; Wesley Weisenberger demonstrated use of power take-off shield. Club members voted to hold a snow patry some time in January.

Cookies and apple cider were served, following the meeting, to: Sparky Noble, Perry Smith, Dan Nuckols, Troy Cox, Eric Gunderson, Orval Hudspeth, Richard Cook, Donald Lee Cook, Billy Mohler, David Mohler, Richard Turner, Greg Merrill, John Weisenberger and Wesley Weisenberger.

Early frosts have resulted in a limited movement of snap beans from the Coachella valley.

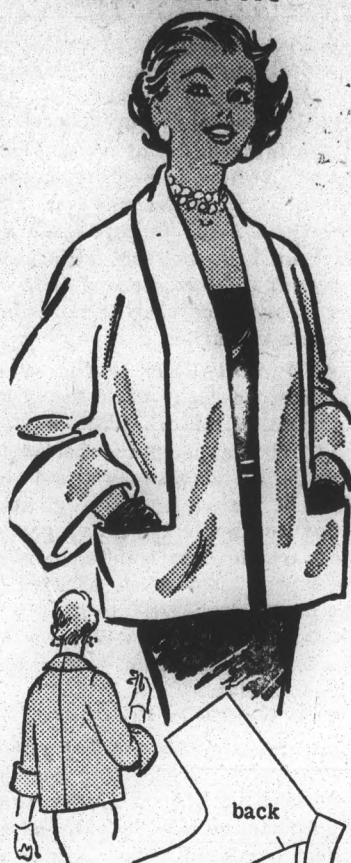
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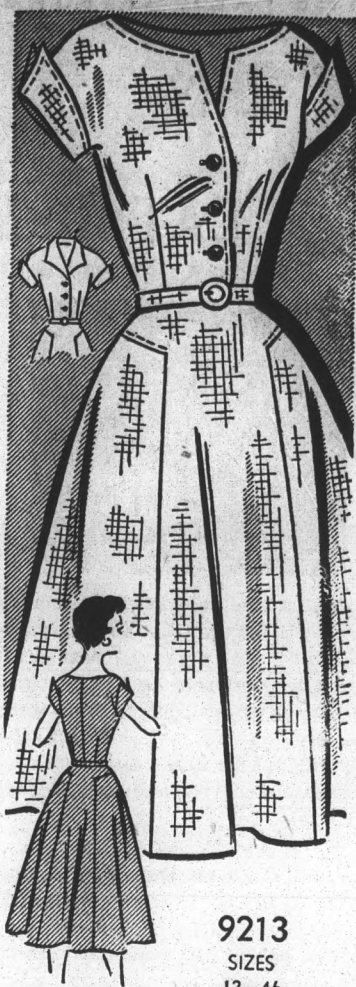
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FARMERS TAX GUIDE AVAILABLE

VISALIA, Dec. 27 — Tax guide for farmers is available at the district office of the bureau of internal revenue, and at the office of the Tulare county farm advisor.



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by Marian Martin

Pattern 9213: Misses' Sizes 12, 14, 16, 18, 20; 40, 42, 44, 46. Size 18 requires 4 1/2 yards 39-inch fabric. Send Thirty-five cents in coins for this pattern—add 5 cents for each pattern if you wish 1st-class mailing. Send to 170 Newspaper Pattern Dept., 232 West 18th St., New York 11, N. Y. Print plainly NAME, ADDRESS with ZONE, SIZE and STYLE NUMBER.

WORLD COTTON SUPPLY AT RECORD FIGURE

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27—The world cotton supply for 1956-57 is estimated at 63.1 million bales, the largest on record, the department of agriculture reports. The U. S. supply of 27.6 million bales is also the largest on record, and is 1.6 million higher than the previous record high of last year.

World cotton disappearance reached a record of 38 million bales in 1955-56, about 1.5 million less than 1955-56 world production. A further rise in disappearance — to about 39.5 million bales — is expected this year. This would exceed the current estimate of 1956-57 world production by 600,000 bales, thus reducing world stocks by this amount by the end of the current season.

U. S. stock will probably be reduced by about 2.5 million bales, with a resulting increase of about 1.9 million in foreign stocks.

The animal diseases brucellosis, mastitis and leptospirosis, cause an estimated loss in the U. S. of \$500 million a year.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27—Some idea of the importance of the Suez Canal in moving agricultural commodities is shown by figures based on 1955 operations.

The Foreign Agricultural Service here reports that 14,666 ships carried 107.5 million tons of cargo through the Canal in 1955, 15 percent of which was reported as agricultural commodities.

FAS further reports that although shipments of agricultural products to and from the U. S. represents less than 10 percent of the total of such products going through the Canal, this trade route is considered essential for certain products.

For example, about 70 percent of U. S. imports of rubber from Indonesia and Malaya moves through the Canal and nearly all the U. S. raw jute and jute products come from India and Pakistan via this route, plus sizable shipments of sugar from the Philippines, sisal from East Africa, coffee from Ethiopia and East Africa, and tea from Ceylon, India, and British East Africa.

Students Place In Contest

PORTERVILLE, Dec. 27 — Two Porterville Future Farmers — Joe France and Ronald Anderson — place second and third, respectively, in Tulare-Kings counties sectional farm cooperative quiz contest this week. Winner was Foster Vierra Jr., of Hanford.

Losses in the U. S. due to animal diseases and parasitism amount to more than two billion dollars a year.

Farm Tribune Ads Get Results

County Manager Study Asked

VISALIA, Dec. 27 — Directors of the Tulare County Farm Bureau have asked that a study be made as to the feasibility of a county-manager form of government for Tulare county.

The U. S. department of agriculture has announced the issuance of an authorization to India for the purchase of \$23,222,000 worth of wheat under Title I of Public Law 480. The authorization is made under an agreement signed with India in August providing for the purchase of approximately 400,000 metric tons of wheat.

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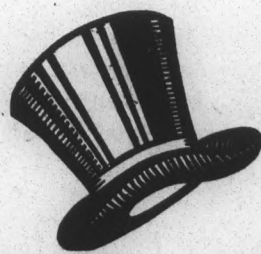
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DOYLE COLONY

By George A. Heintz

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I was reading Mother Shipton's prophecies: (Mother Shipton was a 15th century prophetess); here's what I got out of it for the year 1957:

East Date Street would be widened 20 feet — a thoroughfare from Olive Street to The Barn Theater — The Colony annexed to Porterville — water and sanitation lines are installed to all homes, no increase in taxes) — Bob Reeves forgot to say "howdy and hurry back" — Ed Quiram and Sons move their Garden Street plant to E. Date — Another bridge across the Tule midway between Grevilla and Worth bridges — Jack Anglin and Bob Phipps become councilmen — two light standards installed in every block — a 10 acre recreation center on the Jones ranch — Porter Slough is filled in — a 60 ft. avenue where the Santa Fe tracks were — John Purnell starts smoking cigarettes — The dog leash law is enforced — Rocky Hill arena becomes a stock yard for the new million dollar plant.

Everett Vaughn defeats Sandy Robinson for Sheriff — a Junior high across from Doyle school — Ray Miller without a girl — Sherry, the jeweler repairing steam shovels — A bus line out E. Date — fruit pickers and aged ride for free — Rainbow Market changes name to Sunbeam — The Tule river is diverted to its original channel north of Porterville — Jack Griggs installs electric heaters in his office — brick federal housing project completed on Sycamore — Cliff Wilson's service station puts "No Credit" sign in window — Walt Kyle has nothing to complain about — sidewalks and curbs all in — Doreene Hensley forgot to smile — more Republicans than Democrats registered — and then I woke up! — and a Happy New Year to you too.

Springville Man On CFBF Committee

SPRINGVILLE, Dec. 27 — Milton Walker has been elected vice chairman of the rabbit section of the California Farm Bureau Federation.

FINS UR EATHERS

By Phil The Forester



Just a few days remain to have a go at the quail, chukar, partridges, wild pigeons, cottontail and tree squirrels as the hunting season on these species ends with the end of the year. Check the regulations for areas open to hunting, especially partridges and tree squirrels.

For the big game hunter, black bear remains on the open season until January 15 and predatory animals including mountain lion, coyote, bobcat, opossums, raccoons, skunks, ground squirrels and badgers may be taken year 'round without a license.

The fox, along with the beaver and muskrat are classified as furbearing animals and the trapping season is from November 16 to February 27, inclusive.

A trapping license (\$1.00) is required for every person over 18 years of age.

There are certain restrictions on beaver and muskrat trapping and trappers should check with the fish and game department for details to avoid being a game law violator.

Fishermen may have at it year 'round except for trout but even these may be taken in Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, San Bernardino and south thereof at any time, also in certain reservoirs north of this area.

For instance, one angler caught several big trout from Millerton lake but thinking the season was closed, released them. Trout taken from this body of water at any time may be kept and this also applies to Isabella in Kern county, Turlock and Dallas-Warner in Stanislaus county, Coyote and Anderson in Santa Clara, Bass lake in Madera (and night fishing for any fish is permitted here), Exchequer in Mariposa, Don Pedro, Phoenix and Melones in Tuolumne and Redinger Lake in Fresno.

Striped bass fishermen are doing fairly good throughout the delta area but no reports of any good fishing up the rivers. Stripers are still being taken from Elkhorn slough in Monterey county and the other day an angler land-

We Only Heard

By BILL RODGERS

PROGRESS BRINGS problems, and progress that opened Henderson road toward the east has certainly brought a traffic problem at the intersection of north Main, Sunnyside avenue and Henderson, where traffic converges from five directions. Add to this the traffic that is associated with businesses at the intersection, and you have a situation that demands immediate attention.

AND FURTHER traffic snarl was more evident than usual on Porterville's Main street during the Christmas shopping period in the vicinity of Wheeler's and the Bank of America. Problem here is how to handle the heavy pedestrian traffic that wanders across the street, sometimes backing a line of waiting cars into the Olive street intersection . . . We've beefed about this situation before, but still no action.

AND WHILE on the subject, we might mention that Olive street traffic seems to be getting heavier and heavier, which means that city fathers must anticipate better traffic control in the area of D street and the high school.

ed a 14 pound striped bass from the surf near Oceano.

Steelhead and salmon fishing in our coastal streams hasn't really started yet due to the lack of rain. However a few steelhead catches are reported from San Lorenzo river in Santa Cruz and from the lower reaches of the Russian river.

Starting January 6, 1957, Fishing and Hunting with Phil the Forester will be seen on KFRE-TV, Channel 12 at 3:30 p.m., each Sunday.

WOODVILLE ASKS

FOR DEPUTY

WOODVILLE, Dec. 27 — Tulare county board of supervisors has been requested to put another deputy sheriff in the Woodville area, to assist the deputy who now covers Woodville, Ducor, Cotton Center and Poplar. Making the request were: Roscoe Honeycutt, Al Rosso and Kenneth Billingsley.

California commercial hatcheries produced 7,043,000 baby chicks in November, slightly less than in November of 1955.

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Notice is hereby given, that the undersigned, OPAL F. BARR and MAXINE M. VERNON are transacting business as co-partners at 301 North Main Street, Porterville, County of Tulare, State of California, under the fictitious name of "The Smart Shop".
That the full names of all the persons interested in said business and their respective places of residence are as follows:
Opal F. Barr, 300 Esther Street, Porterville, California.
Maxine M. Vernon, Springville, California.
Dated: November 27th, 1956.
OPAL F. BARR
MAXINE M. VERNON
State of California, County of Tulare, ss.
On this 27th day of November, 1956, before me, Gaylord N. Hubler, a notary public in and for said county and state, personally appeared Opal F. Barr and Maxine M. Vernon, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged that they executed the same.
WITNESS my hand and official seal.
GAYLORD N. HUBLER
Notary Public in and for said county and state.
(SEAL) d6,13,20,27

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
No. 13470
In the Superior Court of the State of California In and For the County of Tulare
In the Matter of the Estate of EARLE H. EYSTER, also known as E. H. EYSTER and as EARLE EYSTER, Deceased.
Notice is hereby given by the undersigned Robert E. Bottoms, Executor of the Estate of said deceased to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said deceased or against his estate, to file them with the necessary vouchers within six months after the first publication of this notice, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, at his office at the Hall of Justice in the City of Visalia, County of Tulare, State of California, or to file such claims, together with the necessary vouchers, within six months after the first publication of this notice with the said Executor at the office of Burford, Hubler & Burford, 520 E. Mill Street, in the City of Porterville, County of Tulare, State of California, which said last named office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with the estate of said deceased.
ROBERT E. BOTTOMS, Executor
BURFORD, HUBLER & BURFORD
Attorneys for Executor
By BURKE E. BURFORD
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Instructor Praises

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American football.
"He has had to answer many questions about your American games, and, indeed, about all aspects of American life. So much so that I became worried at one time that his health might begin to suffer, since his room was filled with students each night until 1 or 2 a.m. drinking tea and questioning him about the U.S.A."
"At the time of the peak of the Suez crisis, he managed to be a staunch supporter of the attitude of the American government without upsetting his fellow students by criticising the British actions. But of course the temporary disagreement between our governments does not affect personal friendships, and these friendships are of greatest value at such times."
"I gather Mr. Hawkins is in demand to give talks to Rotary clubs and other organizations here. You need have no doubt about his ability to represent the U.S.A. and to add to international understanding. For our part we are confident that he will give a friendly account of our attitudes when he returns home."
"Very best wishes to you and to the Porterville Rotarians for 1957. Yours sincerely, Colin Eaborn."

LARGER DAIRIES IS TREND FOR PAST 15 YEARS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27—According to the 1956 Census of Agriculture the trend toward larger but fewer dairy farms has been going on for at least 15 years. It has been speeding up since 1950.
In 1954, less than three million farms reported having any milk cows as compared with 3.6 million in 1950, and 4.6 million in 1940.
Census figures also show that in 1954 the average number of cows per farm was 6.9, or about 20 percent more than in 1950 and 30 percent above 1940.
Perhaps the most important reason for the change, the Census analysts say, is the impact of improved technology on feed production, feed handling, labor utilization, and other phases of dairy management.
These improvements, while they have made it both possible and profitable for many dairy farmers to expand their herds, require more capital which, in turn, has no doubt been a reason why some farmers have decided to discontinue dairying.

County Was

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logging traffic . . . George Harrison honored by state legislature as "daddy" of California's Acala cotton . . . Springville opens the spring season along the Tule with annual Rodeo . . . Oscar Klein re-elected president of Tulare County Cattlemen's association . . . Porterville Canterbelles ride as feature attraction of Cal Poly's Poly Royal fair . . . State coon dog trials held at Springville.

MAY

Marion Anderson, born in Yokol valley in 1874, rode as grand marshal of western parade that got the two-day Porterville Roundup underway . . . County agriculture value for 1955 announced as \$233,612,492, a figure topped only by the record years of 1951-52 . . . Army engineers start work to repair and strengthen Tule river channel . . . Miss Ina Stiner honored by University Women for her contribution toward preservation of local history — another book that includes many oldtime pictures . . . Flying Farmers of California entertained in Porterville during state tour . . . Spencer Gilbert shows grand champion steer at Porterville fair.

JUNE

Voters turn down \$1,750,000 bond issue for high school and college . . . Rodgers L. Moore re-elected to the county board of supervisors . . . Ed Burns announced plans for commercial production of the Burns Blower cotton picker attachment . . . Ninth annual Moonlight Flight puts Porterville in aviation limelight . . . Old houses in Goble town torn down to make way for future development of area.

JULY

Success dam gets \$2,490,000 appropriation; construction of dam is assured . . . Ray Hutchinson

elected chairman of high school and college board . . . Harlan Hawkins, of Terra Bella, a Porterville college student, picked for Porterville Rotary club scholarship that will provide a year's schooling in England . . . Contract let for construction of million dollar Rockwell Manufacturing company plant in Porterville . . . U. S. Geological survey uses helicopters to modernize Sierra maps.

AUGUST

Pot-O-Gold archery shoot brings leading archers of state to Porterville . . . Meyer-Lemon-Free district will be established, after Lindsay hearing at which it was pointed out, that this type of lemon carries the quick decline virus . . . Bob Lard brings new idea to county with planting of Coastal Bermuda as pasture grass . . . Tule River Cooperative gin at Woodville turns out Tulare county's first cotton bale August 29—much earlier than usual.

SEPTEMBER

State cattlemen vote down a self-help, beef promotion plan . . . Horseless carriages from throughout the San Joaquin valley, converge on Porterville for a day of entertainment . . . A. A. Fomilyant named manager of Rockwell plant in Porterville . . . American Timber company announced plans to place a planing mill in Strathmore . . . Proposed \$3,000,000 expansion plan to open 8,000 acres in Terra Bella area in negotiation stage between the Terra Bella Irrigation district and the bureau of reclamation . . . Tule river repair work runs more than \$180,000 . . . Sheldon H. Jackson announced as new director of the agricultural extension service in Tulare county.

OCTOBER

Tulare County Farm Bureau dedicated its new office in Visalia . . . Tulare county rated as sec-

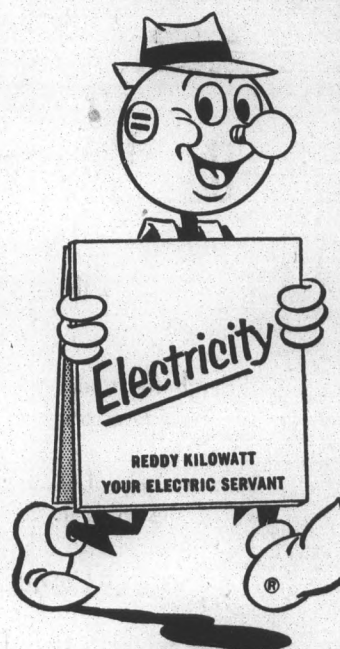
ond richest agricultural county in nation . . . Porterville College grads hold annual reunion and watch Porterville Pirates clobber College of Sequoias Giants 21-12. . . Quarter horse show approved as feature of 1957 Porterville fair. . . Marilyn Keck and Jerine Harlan tie for top honors at annual Junior Horsemen's show at Springville . . . County cattlemen meet in Porterville for annual fall social evening.

NOVEMBER

Tulare county votes strong for Eisenhower, Nixon and Kuchel; Frew elected state assemblyman; Hagen goes back in as congressman . . . Pearl Bell announces retirement as Fruit Grower Supply Co. manager in Porterville . . . Louis Gill and John Wilcox, community pioneers, ride as grand marshals of annual Veterans' Homecoming parade . . . Central California officially becomes state's leading Navel orange producing area, with an estimated 16,000 cars for season, compared to southern California's 14,000 . . . Quick decline discovered in top-worked citrus trees in Tulare county.

DECEMBER

November passed without rain. . . Babe Hodgson reelected chairman of Porterville Fair board . . . First event — Women's club fashion show — opens new memorial auditorium . . . Paul Bunyan statue is moved to Porterville by Jack Anglin — is biggest single-piece wood statue in world.



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Peter Voiss

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Little is known of the early history of this old timer except that he was born in Cologne, Germany, attended Heidelberg University, was thrown in jail by the Kaiser for writing certain items unfavorable to the regime at that time. (I have a copy of one of the items) He was in the Alaska gold rush, and before he found "that Gold Mine in the Sky" in 1942, he subscribed to being over 80.

This narrator first met Peter Voiss at the San Francisco World Fair in 1939 where he was selling his souvenirs; at that time he

told me his 'diggins' was 'up Feather River way'. The thread was lost again until 1950, when, while running down a rumor of a Uranium find up near Jenny Lind, California, I found the last personal effects of P. Voiss — a moth eaten, weather beaten woman's pocketbook, securely tied with rawhide, and crammed full of old papers, stories, photos and poems scratched on backs of envelopes.

As I sorted over the contents, I thought — here is a bonanza of information on the life of the old prospector! That was six years ago; there are still many, many loose ends to the thread — much, much research to do — and so, this item is written in the hope that possibly somebody in Tulare county, recognizing the accompanying picture, may contribute some information that may help in unraveling the threads in the story of Peter Voiss.

If you have information, or if you have heard stories about Peter Voiss, please contact The Farm Tribune.

Along the Avenue

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the Sportsmen and Boat show in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

'Twas a quiet Christmas, in so far as the city police blotter is concerned — but New Years is just ahead.

Kenneth Muse, 20, got six months for trying to rough up a Porterville city police officer.

Private funeral services were held this week for Erle Savage Richardson, who had been associated with the R. Hodgson & Sons firm as an accountant.

Proceedings have been filed seeking the closing of the Forrest cafe, owned by Rose Silva and leased by Louis Vargas; Police Chief Jim Kendrick requested the closure after arrest of Lupe Torres there on a narcotics charge.

MARGARINE GAIN EXPECTED FOR YEAR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 27—Margarine production totalled 1,333 million pounds in 1955. It is expected to reach 1,350 million pounds in 1956, according to preliminary estimates.

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